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## **1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 1091**

March 28, 1996 - Introduced by Representatives Black, Springer, Baldwin, R. Young, Wilder and Meyer. Referred to Committee on Highways and Transportation.

AN ACT to repeal 84.61 (1); to amend 84.61 (4) and 85.21 (4) (a); and to create 85.21 (5) of the statutes; relating to: transportation services for elderly and disabled persons, elimination of a reserve account in the state transportation fund for certain state highway rehabilitation projects and making an appropriation.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, DOT administers a program to provide financial assistance to counties providing transportation services for elderly and disabled persons. This bill requires counties to develop a coordinated plan for the local delivery of transportation services to the elderly and disabled, regardless of funding source, and directs counties to coordinate such services with those provided to other persons requiring specialized transportation service wherever practicable. The bill also requires the secretary of transportation, in cooperation with the department of education, the department of health and social services and other interested persons or groups, to establish a task force on transportation services for elderly and disabled persons.

1995 Wisconsin Act 113 (the executive transportation budget) created a reserve account of \$15,000,000 in the segregated transportation fund to be expended for state highway rehabilitation associated with the construction of a new stadium to be used by the Milwaukee Brewers and for construction activities relating to highway resurfacing or bridge repair on the East–West Freeway from downtown Milwaukee to Waukesha. The bill repeals the special reserve account in the segregated transportation fund for state highway rehabilitation associated with the construction of a new stadium to be used by the Milwaukee Brewers and for construction activities relating to highway resurfacing or bridge repair on the East–West Freeway from downtown Milwaukee to Waukesha. The \$15,000,000 is appropriated for the program that pro-

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vides financial assistance to counties providing transportation services for elderly and disabled persons. The bill does not affect other reserve accounts allocated for construction activities on the East–West Freeway.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

## The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

84.61 (title) Milwaukee Brewers stadium project; East-West Freeway.

**SECTION 1.** 84.61 (1) of the statutes, as created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 113, is repealed.

**SECTION 2.** 84.61 (4) of the statutes, as created by 1995 Wisconsin Act 113, is amended to read:

84.61 (4) The department may not encumber any funds in the 1995–97 fiscal biennium for the purpose of funding state highway rehabilitation associated with the construction of a new stadium to be used by the Milwaukee Brewers, a professional baseball team located in Milwaukee County, or construction activities relating to highway resurfacing or bridge repair on the East–West Freeway from downtown Milwaukee to Waukesha except as provided in this section. This subsection does not apply to the encumbrance of funds pursuant to a federal demonstration grant.

**SECTION 3.** 85.21 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

85.21 (4) (a) The Each county shall establish a county transportation advisory committee or direct its commission on aging to develop a coordinated county transportation plan for service to elderly and disabled persons, based on all federal, state and local funds available to the county for the service. A county may establish the transportation of elderly and disabled persons to medical, nutritional and work-related activities as the priority for the specialized transportation services. A county

shall coordinate transportation services for the elderly and disabled with those provided for school pupils and others requiring specialized transportation service, wherever practicable.

**Section 4.** 85.21 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

85.21 (5) Task force on transportation services for elderly and disabled persons in cooperation with the department of health and social services, the department of education and other interested persons or groups. The task force shall meet at the call of the secretary of transportation to plan a coordinated system of transportation services for elderly and disabled persons which efficiently uses all federal and state funding sources available to the departments. A progress report shall be prepared by the secretary of transportation and submitted to the appropriate standing committees dealing with transportation matters under s. 13.172 (3) by January 1, 1997, and updated annually thereafter.

## Section 5. Appropriation changes.

(1) ELDERLY AND DISABLED COUNTY AIDS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of transportation under section 20.395 (1) (cr) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1995, the dollar amount is increased by \$7,500,000 for fiscal year 1995–96 and the dollar amount is increased by \$7,500,000 for fiscal year 1996–97 to increase funding for the purpose for which the appropriation is made.

22 (END)